

REMARKS

The applicants elect the subject matter of the Examiner's Group II for further prosecution in the above. An early and favorable Action on the merits of the claimed invention is requested.

Return of an initialed copy of the previously-filed PTO 1449 Form, pursuant to MPEP § 609, is requested.

Acknowledgement of the receipt of the certified copy of the priority document filed April 15, 2004 is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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